



STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
**ENERGY EFFICIENCY &
RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COUNCIL**

CONSULTANT TEAM

2024 EERMC Key Deliverables and Schedule

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Outline

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2025 Plan Timeline

Monthly Topics and Activities

Meeting Logistics Survey Results



BACKGROUND





Background

Most aspects of the 2024 calendar are set, though some dates not known at this time have TBD placeholders

- Energy Efficiency Technical Working Group (EE TWG) Schedule
- EERMC Public Forum and Lecture Series
- Combined Heat and Power (CHP) Informational and Public Comment Meeting
- Rhode Island Energy Customer Feedback Activities
- EERMC Learning, Education, and Discussion (LEAD) Sessions

This calendar will be updated (as necessary) in advance of each Council meeting with any updates clearly noted

The Council will have the opportunity to discuss proposed meeting topics



2025 ANNUAL PLAN TIMELINE





2025 Plan Development Calendar

Energy Efficiency Plan

- **21st**: EERMC finalizes development of priorities for the 2025 EE Plan

March

April

- **5th**: Plan Outline delivered to EERMC
- **26th**: Plan Outline Comments due

- Ongoing work on development of the First Draft of the 2025 EE Plan

May

June

- **5th**: First Draft 2025 EE Plan Narrative
- **28th**: First Draft 2025 EE Plan Narrative Comments due

- **3rd**: First Draft 2025 EE Plan Numbers
- **22nd**: Comments on First Draft 2025 EE Plan Numbers due

July

Plan Narrative: Narrative description of program designs, implementation strategies, and all mandated content for inclusion in Annual and Three-Year Energy Efficiency Plans.

Plan Numbers: Benefit-Cost Ratio (BCR) Models and their associated outputs that quantify and tabulate planned energy savings, costs, benefits, greenhouse-gas emissions reductions, and other data.



2025 Plan Development Calendar

Energy Efficiency Plans

- **5th**: Second Draft 2025 EE Plan Narrative & Numbers
- **23rd**: Second Draft 2025 EE Plan Comments due

August

September

- **6th**: Final Draft 2025 Annual EE Plan
- **26th** Council Vote on 2025 Annual EE Plan

- **1st**: 2025 Annual EE Plan Filing Deadline
- **17th** Council Vote on Cost-Effectiveness Report
- **22nd**: Cost-Effectiveness Report Filing Deadline

October

November

- 2025 Annual EE Plan Discovery begins

- Discovery continues
- EE Plan Hearings begin

December

Cost-Effectiveness Report: Legislatively-mandated report, produced by the EERMC, that assesses whether EE Plans produce more benefits than costs.
Discovery: formal process through which intervening parties in regulatory proceedings may obtain information from other parties prior to hearings.



2024 MONTHLY TOPICS AND ACTIVITIES





JANUARY 2024

January 2024						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	1	2	3

	EERMC Meetings
	Equity Working Group Meetings
	Energy Efficiency Plan Dates
	Stakeholder & Public Events

EERMC Meetings

25	<p>EERMC Executive Committee Meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council member performance, attendance, and codes of conduct • Regulatory updates on 2024 EE Plan Docket Proceedings • Special EERMC Meeting Topics and LEAD Sessions for 2024
25	<p>EERMC Meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation and Vote on RI Energy’s Electric Demand Response Proposal • Consultant Team Review of EERMC Monthly Program Data Snapshot • Discuss Council Priorities for the 2025 Program Year • Review of EERMC Consultant Team Draft 2024 Scope of Work (<i>potential vote</i>) • Reallocation of Funds in the 2024 EERMC Budget (<i>potential vote</i>) • Review of 2024 Calendar and EERMC Meeting Topics

Stakeholder & Public Events

17	SRP Technical Working Group Meeting
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Equity Working Group Meetings

30	Equity Working Group Meeting #1
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FEBRUARY 2024

February 2024						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	1	2

EERMC Meetings	
15	EERMC Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2024 Policy Recommendations • Second Draft Council Priorities for the 2025 Program Year (<i>potential vote</i>) • EERMC Branding and Communications Update • Regulatory Updates on 2024-2026 EE Plan Docket Proceedings (<i>if necessary</i>) • Equity Working Group Updates
Stakeholder & Public Events	
1	EE Technical Working Group Meeting
21	SRP Technical Working Group Meeting
22	EE Technical Working Group Meeting
Equity Working Group Meetings	
TBD	Equity Working Group Meeting #2

	EERMC Meetings
	Equity Working Group Meetings
	Energy Efficiency Plan Dates
	Stakeholder & Public Events



MARCH 2024

March 2024						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
25	26	27	28	29	1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	1	2	3	4	5	6

EERMC Meetings
Equity Working Group Meetings
Energy Efficiency Plan Dates
Stakeholder & Public Events

EERMC Meetings	
21	EERMC Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2023 Q4/Preliminary Year-End Program Performance Update • Final Draft Council Priorities the 2025 Annual Plan (<i>vote</i>) • Council Bylaws Update Discussion • EERMC 2024 Annual Report Development Update and Policy Recommendations • Equity Working Group Updates • ACEEE State Scorecard
Stakeholder & Public Events	
20	SRP Technical Working Group Meeting
28	EE Technical Working Group Meeting
TBD	Spring Public Forum and Lecture Series
Equity Working Group Meetings	
TBD	Equity Working Group Meeting #3



APRIL 2024

April 2024						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	1	2	3	4

	EERMC Meetings
	Equity Working Group Meetings
	Energy Efficiency Plan Dates
	Stakeholder & Public Events

EERMC Meetings

18	EERMC Executive Committee Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Upcoming Council Activities 2025 Council Budget Setting Timeline Council Bylaws
18	EERMC Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2025 Energy Efficiency Plan Outline Memo First Draft EERMC 2024 Annual Report (<i>potential vote</i>) 2025 Council Budget Setting Timeline Equity Working Group Updates Council Bylaws

Energy Efficiency Plan Dates

5	2025 Energy Efficiency Plan Outline Memo Delivered to EERMC
26	Comments on 2025 Plan Outline Memo Due

Stakeholder & Public Events

17	SRP Technical Working Group Meeting
25	EE Technical Working Group Meeting

Equity Working Group Meetings

TBD	Equity Working Group Meeting #4
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MAY 2024

May 2024						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
28	29	30	1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	1

	EERMC Meetings
	Equity Working Group Meetings
	Energy Efficiency Plan Dates
	Stakeholder & Public Events

EERMC Meetings	
TBD	EERMC Spring Learning, Education and Advancement Discussion (LEAD) Meeting
16	EERMC Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2024 Q1 Program Performance Update • Final Draft EERMC 2024 Annual Report (<i>potential vote</i>) • 2025 Council Budget Planning • 2025 Energy Efficiency Plan Outline Memo – Review of Comments Received • Equity Working Group Updates
Stakeholder & Public Events	
15	SRP Technical Working Group Meeting
23	EE Technical Working Group Meeting
TBD	Combined Heat and Power (CHP) Informational and Public Comment Meeting
Equity Working Group Meetings	
TBD	Equity Working Group Meeting #5



JUNE 2024

June 2024						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	1	2	3	4	5	6

	EERMC Meetings
	Equity Working Group Meetings
	Energy Efficiency Plan Dates
	Stakeholder & Public Events

EERMC Meetings	
20	EERMC Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First Draft 2025 Energy Efficiency Plan Narrative • 2025 Council Budget Planning • Equity Working Group Updates
Energy Efficiency Plan Dates	
5	First Draft 2025 Energy Efficiency Plan Narrative Distributed
28	Comments on First Draft 2025 Energy Efficiency Plan Narrative Due
Stakeholder & Public Events	
19	SRP Technical Working Group Meeting
27	EE Technical Working Group Meeting
TBD	Rhode Island Energy Customer Feedback Activities
Equity Working Group Meetings	
TBD	Equity Working Group Meeting #6



JULY 2024

July 2024						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
30	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	1	2	3

	EERMC Meetings
	Equity Working Group Meetings
	Energy Efficiency Plan Dates
	Stakeholder & Public Events

EERMC Meetings

18	EERMC Executive Committee Meeting • Topics TBD
18	EERMC Meeting • 2025 Council Budget Planning (<i>potential vote</i>) • 2025 Energy Efficiency Plan Narrative – Review of Comments Received • 2025 Energy Efficiency Plan Numbers • Equity Working Group Updates

Energy Efficiency Plan Dates

3	First Draft 2025 Energy Efficiency Plan Numbers (BC Models and Budget Tables) Released
22	Comments on First Draft 2024-2026 Energy Efficiency Plan Numbers (BC Models and Budget Tables) Due

Stakeholder & Public Events

17	SRP Technical Working Group Meeting
25	EE Technical Working Group Meeting

Equity Working Group Meetings

TBD	Equity Working Group Meeting #7
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AUGUST 2024

August 2024

Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

	EERMC Meetings
	Equity Working Group Meetings
	Energy Efficiency Plan Dates
	Stakeholder & Public Events

EERMC Meetings

15	EERMC Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2024 Q2 Program Performance Update • Review and Discussion of Second Draft 2025 Annual Energy Efficiency Plan • Equity Working Group Updates
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Energy Efficiency Plan Dates

5	Second Draft 2025 Annual Energy Efficiency Plan (Narrative & Numbers) Distributed
23	Comments on Second Draft 2025 Annual Energy Efficiency Plan Due

Stakeholder & Public Events

21	SRP Technical Working Group Meeting
22	EE Technical Working Group Meeting

Equity Working Group Meetings

TBD	Equity Working Group Meeting #8
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SEPTEMBER 2024

September 2024

Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	1	2	3	4	5

	EERMC Meetings
	Equity Working Group Meetings
	Energy Efficiency Plan Dates
	Stakeholder & Public Events

EERMC Meetings

12	EERMC Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Final Draft 2025 Annual Energy Efficiency Plan Initial Review and Discussion Preview of Cost-Effectiveness Report for 2025 Annual Energy Efficiency Plan
26	EERMC Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Final Draft 2025 Annual Energy Efficiency Plans (<i>Vote</i>) Cost-Effectiveness Report 2025 Annual Energy Efficiency Plan (<i>potential vote</i>)

Energy Efficiency Plan Dates

6	Final Draft 2025 Annual Energy Efficiency Plan Distributed
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Stakeholder & Public Events

18	SRP Technical Working Group Meeting
27	EE Technical Working Group Meeting

Equity Working Group Meetings

TBD	Equity Working Group Meeting #9
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OCTOBER 2024

October 2024

Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
29	30	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31	1	2

	EERMC Meetings
	Equity Working Group Meetings
	Energy Efficiency Plan Dates
	Stakeholder & Public Events

EERMC Meetings

17	EERMC Executive Committee Meeting • Topics TBD
17	EERMC Meeting • Cost-Effectiveness Reports for 2025 Annual Energy Efficiency Plan (<i>Vote</i>) • Equity Working Group Updates • Preparation for 2025 EE Plan Discovery and Hearings • Planning Discussion for EERMC Fall Learning, Education, and Advancement Discussion (LEAD) Meeting
TBD	EERMC Fall Learning, Education and Advancement Discussion (LEAD) Meeting

Energy Efficiency Plan Dates

1	2025 Annual Energy Efficiency Plan Filing Deadline
22	Cost-Effectiveness Reports for 2025 Annual Energy Efficiency Plan Filing Deadline

Stakeholder & Public Events

18	SRP Technical Working Group Meeting
TBD	Fall/Winter 2024 Public Forum and Lecture Series

Equity Working Group Meetings

TBD	Equity Working Group Meeting #10
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NOVEMBER 2024

November 2024						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

	EERMC Meetings
	Equity Working Group Meetings
	Energy Efficiency Plan Dates
	Stakeholder & Public Events

EERMC Meetings	
21	EERMC Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2024 Q3 Program Performance Update • Regulatory Update on the 2025 Annual Energy Efficiency Plan • Discussion on EERMC Calendar for 2024 • Equity Working Group Update
Energy Efficiency Plan Dates	
TBD	Discovery on 2025 Annual Energy Efficiency Plan
Stakeholder & Public Events	
20	SRP Technical Working Group Meeting
TBD	Fall/Winter 2024 Public Forum and Lecture Series
Equity Working Group Meetings	
TBD	Equity Working Group Meeting #11



DECEMBER 2024

December 2024						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	1	2	3	4

	EERMC Meetings
	Equity Working Group Meetings
	Energy Efficiency Plan Dates
	Stakeholder & Public Events

EERMC Meetings	
19	EERMC Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regulatory Update on 2025 Annual Energy Efficiency Plan 2025 EERMC Consultant Team Scope of Work and Budget (<i>potential vote</i>) Discussion on Council Meeting Topic and Key Activities for 2025 Energy Fellow Presentations
Energy Efficiency Plan Dates	
TBD	PUC Hearings on 2025 Annual Energy Efficiency Plan
Stakeholder & Public Events	
18	SRP Technical Working Group Meeting
TBD	Fall/Winter 2024 Public Forum and Lecture Series
Equity Working Group Meetings	
TBD	Equity Working Group Meeting #12



EERMC Meeting Topic Ideas

- Executive Climate Change Coordinating Council (EC4) Updates
- Equity Working Group Updates
- Carbon Pricing Approach for Future EE Plans
- Budget modifications (as needed)
- SRP Update on 2024 Activities
- Energy Expo
- Program Implementation Updates from Vendors
- Updates on Relevant PUC Dockets
 - Grid Modernization, Future of Gas
- Develop, issue, and review RFPs for vendor services on as needed basis
 - Legal services
 - Public Forum and Lecture Series
 - K-12 Energy Education
 - EE and Climate Awareness Campaign
 - Market Based Solutions Study



MEETING LOGISTICS SURVEY RESULTS



Conclusions from Survey

Councilors submitted nine total survey responses

Week of the Month: most Councilors indicated no preference, but the responses suggest the first week of the month may work best

- Discussion: move Council meetings to the first week of each month

Day of the Week: only one Councilor expressed preference to move Council meetings from Thursdays

- Discussion: continue to hold Council meetings on Thursdays

Time of the Day: two votes for morning meetings, but general preference to hold meetings in the afternoon

- Discussion: 2:00-4:00PM meetings to avoid evening conflicts



Conclusions from Survey

Meeting Frequency: general preference for monthly meeting frequency

- Discussion: host monthly meetings, but leverage Council subcommittees to increase productivity

Meeting Length: most responses suggest that two-hour meetings are sufficient unless agendas include too many important discussion topics

- Discussion: maintain two-hour meetings, but use time effectively as longer meetings become inefficient

Meeting Location: most Councilors expressed no preference or current location, but some prefer occasional changes in location

- Discussion: keep current location and consider occasional alternates



Conclusions from Survey

Education Format: one-page memos, briefing sessions with the Consultant Team, and even recorded briefings are all useful strategies to disseminate information

- Discussion: produce one-pagers and continue to offer briefing sessions, but experiment with other strategies

Other Suggestions and Comments

- Poll members of the public to understand their preferences
- Schedule evening meetings to encourage more public participation
- Create clear and digestible content to improve accessibility
- Emphasize discussion time in meetings over presentation time
- Make Council work and meetings more dynamic and interesting



Council Member Discussion

- Are there anticipated conflicts with the anticipated Council schedule?
- What additional meeting topics would be beneficial in 2024?
- What special meetings with other entities might the Council want to host?
- Are there any other stakeholders or subject-matter experts that the Council should encourage to attend specific meetings or Council meetings in general?

